

<p>U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT Assistant Secretary for Housing-Federal Housing Commissioner</p> <p>TO: DIRECTORS, HOUSING DIVISION DIRECTORS, MULTIFAMILY DIVISION DIRECTORS, SINGLE FAMILY DIVISION</p>	<p>Series and Series Number: (Supersedes issue dated November 15, 1994) MATERIALS RELEASE NO. 964f</p> <hr/> <p>ISSUE DATE: March 20, 1998</p> <hr/> <p>REVIEW DATE: March 20, 2001</p>
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SUBJECT: 1. Product "Ultraflor Esteem" and "Celestial" Resilient Sheet Flooring

2. Name and Address of Manufacturer Congoleum Corporation
 P.O. Box 3127
 Mercerville, NJ 08619

Data on the nonstandard product, described herein have been reviewed by the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) and determination has been made that it is considered suitable from a technical standpoint for the use indicated herein. This Release does not purport to establish a comparative quality or value rating for this product as compared to standard products normally used in the same manner.

This Materials Release cannot be used as an indication of endorsement, or approval by HUD of the described product, and any statement or representation, however made, indicating such approval or endorsement by HUD is unauthorized. See Code 18, U.S.C. 709.

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USE: Indoor light traffic areas.

DESCRIPTION:

"Ultraflor Esteem" and "Celestial" resilient sheet flooring are composed of three main elements:

1. Composite wear surface consisting of a layer of transparent polyurethane and a pigment layer of polyvinyl chloride (PVC).
2. A PVC filled foam interlayer.
3. A non-asbestos backing layer.

"Ultraflor Esteem" flooring is supplied only in 6' width.
 "Celestial" flooring is supplied only in 12' width.

REQUIREMENTS:

"Ultraflor Esteem" and "Celestial" flooring shall comply with Type I, Grade 1, Class A of the American Society for Testing and Materials (ASTM) Standard F 1303-97, "Standard Specification for Sheet Vinyl Floor Covering with Backing", except that the wear layer is composed of a polyurethane layer of an average minimum thickness of 0.0014" and a PVC thickness of .0236". The overall thickness of the flooring shall be an average minimum of 0.070".

INSTALLATION:

This product shall be installed in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions described in "How to Install Congoleum Sheet Vinyl Floors," No. M-0176, which is available from the manufacturer.

GUARANTY:

Congoleum Corporation guarantees "Ultraflor Esteem" and "Celestial" flooring against defects in materials, wear, design or color change due to mildew or alkali, and permanent scuffing, under normal use for ten (10) years from the date of installation. Should any defect occur, Congoleum Corporation shall make a pro rata allowance for replacement.

MANUFACTURER'S RESPONSIBILITIES:

Issuance of this Materials Release (MR) commits the manufacturer to fulfill, as a minimum, the following:

1. Produce, label and certify the material, product or system in strict accordance with the terms of this MR.
2. Provide necessary corrective action in a timely manner for all cases of justified complaint, poor performance or failure reported by HUD.
3. When requested, provide the Office of Consumer and Regulatory Affairs, Manufactured Housing and Standards Division, HUD Headquarters, with a representative list of properties in which the material, product or system has been used, including complete addresses or descriptions of locations and dates of installation.
4. Inform HUD in advance of changes in production facilities, methods, design of the product, company name, ownership or mailing address.

EVALUATION:

This MR shall be valid for a period of three years from the date of initial issuance or most recent renewal or revision, whichever is later. The holder of this MR shall apply for renewal or revision 90 days prior to the Review Date printed on this MR. Submittals for renewal or revision shall be sent to HUD Headquarters. Appropriate User Fee shall be sent to:

U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development
Technical Suitability of Products Fees
P.O. Box 954199
St. Louis, MO 63195-4199

The holder of this MR may apply for revision at any time prior to the Review Date. Minor revisions may be in the form of a supplement to the MR.

If the Department determines that a proposed renewal or supplement constitutes a revision, the appropriate User Fee for a revision will need to be submitted in accordance with Code of Federal Regulations 24 CFR 200.934, "User Fee System for the Technical Suitability of Products Program," and current User Fee Schedule.

CANCELLATION:

Failure to apply for a renewal or revision shall constitute a basis for cancellation of the MR. HUD will notify the manufacturer that the MR may be canceled when:

1. conditions under which the document was issued have changed so as to affect production of, or to compromise the integrity of the accepted material, product, or system,
2. the manufacturer has changed its organizational form without notifying HUD, or
3. the manufacturer has not complied with responsibilities it assumed as a condition of HUD's acceptance.

However, before cancellation, HUD will give the manufacturer a written notice of the specific reasons for cancellation, and the opportunity to present views on why the MR should not be canceled. No refund of fees will be made on a cancelled document.

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